

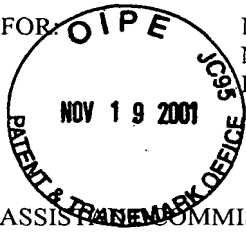
Docket No. 210352US0X

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ryuichiro KURANE et al

SERIAL NUMBER: 09/891,517

FILING DATE: June 27, 2001

FOR:  NOVEL NUCLEIC ACID PROBES, METHOD FOR DETERMINING CONCENTRATIONS OF NUCLEIC ACID BY USING THE PROBES, AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING DATA OBTAINED BY THE METHOD

FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated July 17, 2001, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Declaration enclosed herewith contains the Title of the Invention and Inventor(s) name(s) and is believed, in combination with the application serial number and filing date contained in this cover letter, to adequately identify the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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